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Dear Sir:

Applicants request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above identified application. Applicants request a one (1) month extension or until March 6, 2002, to respond to the Final Office Action dated November 6, 2001 (a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed concurrently herewith). Our check in the amount of \$850.00 is attached to cover the RCE fee and the one (1) month extension of time fee.

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